

Praying at Priestfield



The word of the Lord came to me: **"What do you see, Jeremiah?"**

"I see the branch of an almond tree," I replied.

The Lord said to me, **You have seen correctly, for I am watching to see that my word is fulfilled**

Jeremiah 1:11-12 (NIV)

The word , almond, sounds like the word for watching. God is saying that he is there, watching the Israelites, speaking, guiding as he is with us.

Give thanks for...

- the knowledge that God is watching us each day.
- Easter and what this means for each of us, resurrection, forgiveness, love.
- God's grace in our lives.
- much more...

Let's pray for our world...

- as war continues to rage in Ukraine, pray for change, for peace, for healing, for security; pray for wisdom for our leaders to know how far our country, and other countries, should become involved.
- remembering all people who are looking for somewhere to live, for safety, for medical care, for jobs. Pray for all the organisations giving help.
- as Local Elections approach may those standing have integrity, compassion and a desire to do what is right. We have the privilege to take part in deciding the leadership in this country, help each of us consider carefully who we vote for.
- our nation, as we care for people who are in need, both those who are resident here and those who are trying to live here. Pray about our own attitudes and also that of our government and that we may stand up however we can for what is right.

Pray for Priestfield and the local community...

- for the services which support those who are homeless, those finding that the financial situation is hitting them hard, for the unemployed, those who are ill and suffering, those who are sad; and for what we can do to help too.
- as we plan for the next Messy Church on 14th May pray about how we can reach children in the local area; for greater contact with Prestonfield School. Also pray for the schools and nurseries and how they plan easing the Covid restrictions.
- and the Prestonfield and Clearburn areas - for people we know there, for their wellbeing and also how we can share faith with more people there.
- remembering the planned changes to the Churches in our Presbytery, particularly for the Churches in our local area; for vision and guidance.
- and as we pray for revival and renewal in our area, let us remember the meeting on Thursday 5th May at Mayfield Church, **"Pioneer Practice"**. May the Holy Spirit lead us into new ways.

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